MODEL LETTER FOR ESRD WAIVER: Isolation Room for Hepatitis B+ Patients

Date

State Survey Agency Survey & Certification, ESRD Specialist

Street Address

City, State, Zip code

Dear ESRD Specialist,

We are planning to open a new dialysis facility or we are planning to expand the square footage of our existing dialysis facility, and we are applying for a waiver of the requirement for an isolation room for dialyzing hepatitis B+ patients. We believe that there is sufficient capacity of isolation stations in isolation rooms to serve the needs of hepatitis B+ patients in our geographic area.

Our facility is <u>name</u>, and the facility is located at <u>complete address</u>, <u>including zip code</u>. Our existing facility has the following CMS certification number, <u>CCN for existing facilities only</u>.

Below is a list of the facilities within our geographic area that have isolation stations in isolation rooms. If we marked "written agreement" yes, we have attached a copy of the written agreement with that facility indicating their willingness to accept hepatitis B+ patients from our facility should we admit a hepatitis B+ patient or have a current patient seroconvert to hepatitis B+.

Name of	Distance from	Number of	Number of	Number of Current	Written
facility	Our facility	Isolation	Patient	Patients in	Agreement
		Stations in	Shifts	Isolation	Yes/No
		Isolation			
		Room			

We appreciate your consideration of this request and await your response.

Sincerely,

Name

Contact information, including mailing address, phone, and email address